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ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (AMCOST III)
THIRD ORDINARY SESSION
12 - 16 NOVEMBER 2007
MOMBASA, REPUBLIC OF KENYA**

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**DRAFT PROGRAMME OF WORK
FOR EXPERTS' MEETING**

PROGRAMME OF WORK DAY ONE - 12 NOVEMBER 2007 WHITESANDS HOTEL, MOMBASA, KENYA	
08:00 - 09:00	REGISTRATION
09:00 - 09:15	Opening Session Welcome Remarks by Dr. Abdul-Hakim Elwaer, Director of Human Resources, Science and Technology.
09:15 - 09:30	Opening Statement by AMCOST Steering Committee Chair, Senegal.
09:30 - 09:40	Presentation and Adoption of the Agenda
09:40 - 10:00	Institutional Framework of AMCOST, Presentation by AUC Legal Counsel
10:00 - 10:30	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
10:30 - 10:50	Report of the Last Meeting of the AMCOST Bureau by AMCOST Rapporteur
10:50 - 11:10	Africa's Science and Technology Consolidated Plan of Action Implementation Strategy, (Presentation) by Dr. Abdul-Hakim Elwaer, Director of Human Resources, Science and Technology
11:10 - 11:30	Discussion
11:30 - 12:30	Presentations on the Implementation of Africa's Science and Technology Consolidated Plan of Action by NEPAD Science and Technology
	(a) Progress Report on Implementation of the Plan of Action
	(b) African Network on Water Sciences and Technology: Business Plan
	(c) African Energy Research and Innovation Network: Business Plan
12:30 - 13:00	Discussion
13:00 - 14:30	LUNCH

14:30 - 15:30	Presentations on Implementation of the African Union 2007 Summit Decisions, by Human Resources, Science and technology
	(a) The Outcome of the Conference of African Women in Science and Technology
	(b) Progress Report: (i) African Strategy for the capacity building for the African policy makers (ii) Strategy on the formation of the Pan African Intellectual Property Organization (PAIPO).
	(c) Briefing on African Union Scientific Awards/AU-WIPO Awards
15:30 - 16:00	Discussion
16:00 - 16:30	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
16:30 - 17:10	Presentation of Progress on Biosafety Project
	(a) Outcomes of the African Regional Workshop on Risk Assessment and Risk Management of Living Modified Organisms
	(b) African Model Law on Safety in Biotechnology
17:10 - 17:30	Discussion
END OF DAY ONE	

PROGRAMME OF WORK	
DAY TWO - 13 NOVEMBER 2007	
WHITESANDS HOTEL, MOMBASA, KENYA	
08:30 - 09:10	Presentations on the Implementation of Africa's Science and Technology Consolidated Plan of Action by NEPAD Science and Technology
	(a) African Science, Technology and Innovation Survey and Indicators
	(b) Proposal to establish a high-level Science and Technology Panel on Climate Change
09:10 - 09:30	Discussion
09:30 - 10:10	Presentations on Implementation of the African Union 2007 Summit Decisions, by Human Resources, Science and technology
	(a) The African Consolidated Framework for Intellectual Property, Individual and Community Rights
	(b) The African framework on Bio-Prospecting expert meeting (presentation of the outcome)
	(c) Science, Technology and Innovation for Industrialisation: The Outcome of the Conference of the African Ministers of Industry
10:10 - 10:40	Discussion
10:40 - 11:10	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
11:10 - 11:30	Proposal for the Establishment of the African Education, Science and Technology Fund, presentation by African Development Bank
11:30 - 12:00	Discussion
12:00 - 12:20	Any Other Business
12:20 - 17:00	LUNCH/REPORT WRITING
17:00 - 17:30	Adoption of the Experts Meeting Report
17:30 - 18:00	Closing Session
END OF DAY TWO	